

# Budget & Contracts Committee Report

Hanford Advisory Board Meeting  
September 22-23, 2021

# Recent BCC Activities

- BCC members participated in July 15 DOE FY-2023 Cleanup Priorities public meeting.
  - Solicited/consolidated BCC comments and submitted them to DOE before the Aug 15 public comment period ended.
  - Included copy of the HAB Advice #309 on FY2023 Cleanup Priorities.
- Held Aug 12 BCC meeting to:
  - Present initial recommendation on solution to budget sharing concerns between DOE and the HAB
  - Discuss feedback/questions on DOE July 15 public meeting on FY-2023 Cleanup Priorities
  - Identify/discuss potential future advice topics
  - Discussed FY-2022 BCC Work Plan activities

# Recent BCC Activities (Cont.)

- Held Aug 24 BCC call to discuss details of near-term advice for “Recommended Solution on Sharing Hanford Budgetary Information.”
  - Sponsored/formed IM Team for near-term advice on recommended solution for sharing Hanford Budgetary Information.
  - Post-meeting, BCC Chair received some concern with proceeding to issue this Advice now: decided to discuss with EIC since this could affect the HAB overall.
- Discussed this Budgetary Information advice at Aug 25 EIC call and requested guidance on proceeding with it.
  - EIC determined that IM team should develop this advice, but submit for EIC review prior to finalizing it.
- Held IM Team meeting to comment/revise draft advice for Budgetary Information Release on Aug 30 .
  - Provided copy of near-final draft advice to the EIC on Aug 31 for their input on review/comment/authorization to proceed.

# Upcoming BCC Activities

- Re: “Budgetary Data Release” advice: BCC expects to finalize the and proceed with full HAB approval/issuance, pending EIC decision.
- Re: “FY-2024 Cleanup Priorities” advice: BCC will solicit IM team members from all committees at the Dec full HAB meeting.
  - Actual work will begin in mid-Jan 2022 timeframe.

# Upcoming BCC Activities (Cont.)

- BCC members will participate on other various IM teams now being considered, including topics covering:
  - “Legal Requirements for Sharing DOE Budget Data”: **BCC Lead**
  - “End State Contracting Concerns”: **BCC Lead**
  - “DOE Advice Response Inadequacies”: **Possible EIC Lead**
  - “DOE Liability Issues and Impact on Hanford Cleanup”: **Possible EIC Lead**
  - “Value/Viability of the HAB”: **Possible EIC Lead**

# Upcoming BCC Activities (Cont.)

- BCC expects by end of CY2021 a detailed DOE presentation on status of Hanford contracts using the IDIQ “End State Contracting” model, addressing:
  - What contracts using this model have been/are being executed at Hanford.
  - The process and the concerns with the prep/eval/execution of all scope “work orders.”
  - Contract Structures Recommendations 6.1 and 6.2 of the NAS Report: “Review of Effectiveness and Efficiency of Defense Environmental Cleanup Activities of the Department of Energy's Office of Environmental Management: First Report (2021)
    - see website: <http://nap.edu/26000>
  - Concerns with small businesses losing employees to prime contractors due to DOE subcontracting decisions.